# Executive Proclamation
## State of South Dakota
## Office of the Governor

***Whereas***, South Dakota was founded on hard work, perseverance, dedication to duty, and the understanding of sacrifice, sharing, and love of family; and,

***Whereas***, Tom W. Johnson has devoted over 39 years to the service of the state of South Dakota to help develop a safe and efficient highway system; and,

***Whereas***, During his career with the Department of Transportation, Tom has given exemplary performance in a number of positions, beginning as a Graduate Engineer, Civil Engineer II and III, Project Engineer, Senior Engineer, Engineering Supervisor, Area Engineer, and, in 1997, he became the Pierre Region Operations Engineer; and,

***Whereas***, Tom has set high standards for all employees of the Department of Transportation during his tenure, and his broad knowledge and experience allowed him to excel in many different settings; and,

***Whereas***, Tom's inherent honesty, work ethic, and sincerity have projected a positive image for the Department of Transportation; and,

***Whereas***, It is now time for Tom to retire to his home in Pierre, with his wife, Jane, and enjoy the many recreational opportunities in this area and beyond; and,

***Whereas***, It is fitting and proper as Governor to recognize the contributions of this employee to the state of South Dakota during his many years of employment:

***Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds***, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 8, 2010, as

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in South Dakota, and I join his colleagues, friends, and family in wishing him a fulfilling and happy retirement.

***In Witness Whereof***, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Sixteenth Day of September in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

**Attest:**

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State